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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTT, Ladgate Circus, E.C. BATES, HENRY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 180 & 182, Leadenhall Street.

NEW YORK:—ANDREW WEID, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND:—GORDON & GOTT, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally:—BANK & BRACE, San Francisco.

CHINA:—SWATOW, QUEEN & CAMPBELL, Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLS & Co., Foochow, HENDERSON & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Canton & WALSLEY, MANILA, C. HENDERSON & Co., Mexico, L. A. DA GRACA.

Auctions.

FURNITURE SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **MONDAY**, the 5th March, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at Brooke Cottage, the Residence of GEO. ARBER, Esq.,—The whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising: Dining-room, Sitting-room, and Bed-room Furniture. Catalogues of which will be issued. Terms of Sale.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer. Hongkong, February 28, 1877. mcs

PUBLIC AUCTION.

HORSES, PONIES & CARRIAGES, &c. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, at the FOUNTAIN, opposite the CITY HALL, (granted by kind permission of the Captain Superintendent of Police), on **MONDAY**, the 5th March, 1877, at 4.30 p.m.,—THE CELEBRATED RACER and Quiet Hack, the Brown Australian Gelding "THE BABE."

The Australian Racer "TARTAR." The Well-known Racing Ponies "SANTA CLAUD," "FLEETWING," "TINKLE," "DAYBREAK." Also, A pair of Dun Shanghai CARRIAGE PONIES, Well Matched, Good Trotters, and thoroughly broken to Harness. A PONY and TRAP. One 4-wheeled CARRIAGE, suitable for Two Ponies, with Summer and Winter Covers. And any other Lots that may offer. Terms of Sale.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer. Hongkong, March 2, 1877. mcs

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAND AND PROPERTY.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **SATURDAY**, the 10th March, 1877, at Noon, on the Premises (unless previously disposed of by Private Sale),—A Portion of that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 174, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 170, and measuring thereon forty-five feet, on the South side on the remaining portion of Inland Lot No. 174 and measuring thereon forty-five feet on the East side thereof on Peel Street, and measuring thereon twenty-nine feet, and on the West side thereof on Staveley Street and measuring thereon twenty-nine feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 1317 square feet and is known as No. 8 Peel Street, together with the three-storyed Tenement or Dwelling House erected thereon. Annual Crown Rent, \$15 56. Terms of Sale.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed of Transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the purchaser. The Property to be at Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. For further Particulars, apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Auctioneers. Hongkong, February 28, 1877. mcs

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (On account of the concerned,) on **MONDAY**, the 5th March, 1877, at Noon,—At the Godowns of Messrs DAVID SARBOON, BONS & Co., 8 chests Malwa OPIUM. Ex S. S. "Kashgar." (More or less damaged by sea water.) Terms of Sale.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. H. N. MODY, Auctioneer. Hongkong, March 2, 1877. mcs

POSTPONEMENT OF SALE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Rev. R. H. KIDD to sell by Public Auction, on **MONDAY**, the 12th day of March, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., (instead of the time previously advertised), at his Residence, Albany Road,—The whole of his Household FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—Drawing, Dining and Bedroom Suites, Sofas, Chairs, Easy Chairs, Mirrors, Tables, Pictures, Sideboard, Whatnots, Glass and Plated Ware, Crockery Ware, Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Toilet Tables and Glass, Washstands, &c., &c. Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Saturday, the 10th March. Terms of Sale.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer. J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. Hongkong, February 26, 1877. mcs

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, \$600,000 Dollars.

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—H. HOPKINS, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—F. D. SARBOON, Esq.
AD. ANDER, Esq. A. MOLYNE, Esq.
E. R. BELLIOS, Esq. S. W. POMEROY, Esq.
Hon. W. KESWICK. ED. TOLIN, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.
Hongkong, . . . THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
Manager.
Shanghai, . . . EYER CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, February 15, 1876.

Intimations.

SPANISH CONSULATE.

TENDERS for the Construction of SEVEN BOATS for the Spanish Men-of-war will be RECEIVED at This Office until Noon of the 4th day of March next.

Conditions, Plans, &c., are exposed at the same for the information of persons wishing to make proposals.
A. FARAUO, Consul for Spain.
Hongkong, February 22, 1877. mcs

NOTICE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. propose to hold their usual Sale of HORSES, PONIES, AND CARRIAGES, &c., &c. On **MONDAY**, the 5th March, 1877. Parties wishing to have any Lots included in the Sale will please send in particulars as soon as possible.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Auctioneers.
Hongkong, February 27, 1877. mcs

Intimations.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

ROUYER GUILLET & Co.'s CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This BRANDY is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

Qualities One *, Two **, Three ***, and Four **** in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

Also,

POMMERY & GRENOS

"Extra Sec." CHAMPAGNE,

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877. [ap5]



NAVAL CONTRACT, 1877-8.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will be received by the Undersigned, until Noon on THURSDAY, the 15th March, 1877, from Persons desirous of SUPPLYING the following ARTICLES for the use of H. M. Navy for the year 1877-8, viz:—
FRESH BEEF RAISINS
FRESH VEGETABLES WATER
EGGS SOFT BREAD
SUGAR BISCUIT
Tea
Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the Naval Storekeeper's Office.
The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved. J. BRENNER, Storekeeper.
H. M. Victualling Yard, Hongkong, February 28, 1877. mcs

WANTED. A DISPENSER. APPLY BY LETTER ONLY. Address: "K." c/o the China Mail Office. Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE CO.

THE BUSINESS of this COMPANY has This Day been transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE CO. of 20, Old Broad Street, LONDON. By Order of the Proprietors, WILLIAM HUNT, Secretary.
137, Leadenhall Street, LONDON. 1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE CO. 20, Old Broad Street, LONDON. 1st January, 1877. ESTABLISHED 1836. CAPITAL, £1,000,000 STERLING. RESERVE FUND, £340,000.

WITH Reference to the foregoing Advertisement THE MARINE INSURANCE CO. has This Day taken over the Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT CO., and has Appointed Mr A. MOLYNE as its AGENT in Hongkong. By Order of the Board of Directors, ROBERT J. LODGE, Manager.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Accept Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the MARINE INSURANCE CO. by any First Class Steamer.
A. MOLYNE, Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of London.
Hongkong, February 19, 1877. au17

NOTICE.

PACIFIC MAIL S. S. Co.

BY Order of the Board of Directors of the PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, We have ASSUMED CHARGE of the COMPANY'S BUSINESS at this Port. Until Further Notice the Offices of the Company will remain at No. 18, Praya Central.
Mr O. V. SMITH is authorised to sign Bills of Lading.
Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Office in Royal Exchange, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For Security's sake Shippers of Overland Cargo are requested to endorse on the Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages Shipped, to correspond with those in their Bills of Lading.
RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, February 5, 1877. mcs

THE MEDICAL HALL, 37, Queen's Road, Hongkong. ESTABLISHED 1863. TH. KOFFER, Proprietor. Hongkong, April 28, 1876. ap28

NAVAL & MILITARY ATHLETIC SPORTS.

WITH Kind Permission of H. E. Major-General the Hon. Sir F. COLBORNE, K.C.B., and H. E. the Vice-Admiral RYDER, and under the Patronage of H. E. the Governor Sir ARTHUR KENNEDY, K.C.M.G., C.B., H. E. Vice-Admiral RYDER, and H. E. Major-General the Hon. Sir F. COLBORNE, K.C.B. The above Sports will be held ON THE ORIENT GROUND, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, 9th & 10th March, 1877.

COMMITTEE: Commodore A. W. WATSON, President. Lt.-Col. C. A. S. DICKINS, Vice-President.

MEMBERS: Commander A. L. DOUGLAS, R.N. H. SALMOND, R.N. Lieut. W. S. P. GRAVES, R.N. J. E. O. GODRIKH, R.N. J. O. PIER, R.N. Lieut.-Col. HALL, R.A. Major BURTON, R.E. Dep. Com. BAKER, Commst. Dept. Asst. KENNEDY, Ord. Dept. Dr. WILSON, Medical Dept. W. BYNES, Esq.

PROGRAMME:

- 1.—100 Yards Flat Race.
- 2.—440 Yards Flat Race.
- 3.—880 Yards Flat Race.
- 4.—1 Mile Flat Race, Open.
- 5.—1 Mile Flat Race, Open to Men of the Garrison.
- 6.—1 Mile Flat Race, Open to Sailors and Marines.
- 7.—2 Miles Flat Race.
- 8.—High Jump.
- 9.—Wide Jump.
- 10.—120 Yards Hurdles.—10 Flights.
- 11.—Boys' Race.—220 Yards Flat Race.
- 12.—Veteran Race.—300 Yards Flat Race.—For Men of 17 Years Service and Over.
- 13.—200 Yards Flat Race.—Heavy Marching Order.—Open to Soldiers and Marines.
- 14.—200 Yards Flat Race.—Heavy Marching Order.—Open to Blue Jackets.
- 15.—Three-Legged Race.
- 16.—Wheel Barrow Race.
- 17.—Water Bucket Race.
- 18.—Throwing the Cricket Ball.
- 19.—Putting the Shot.
- 20.—Throwing the Hammer.
- 21.—Sack Race.
- 22.—Tug of War.
- 23.—80 Yards Flat Race.—Open to Foreign Men of War.
- 24.—Consolation Race.
- 25.—Tug of War.—Open to a Single Team from the Army, Blue Jackets and Marines, and Dock-Yard Employes.
- 26.—1 Mile Flat Race.—Open to Officers of the Army and Navy, and Members of the Hongkong and German Clubs.
- 27.—120 Yards Hurdles.—Open to Officers of the Army and Navy, and Members of the Hongkong and German Clubs.

Visitors are particularly requested not to pass under the top of a Grand Stand will be erected for their accommodation. The First Race to be started at 1 o'clock punctually.
R. S. F. WALKER, Secy. RACES.
Hon. Secretary.
MURRAY BARNACKS, Hongkong, March 1, 1877. mcs

Intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending on 30th December last, at the rate of One Pound Sterling (£1) per share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after THURSDAY, the 15th Instant, at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors, THOMAS JACKSON, Chief Manager. Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

NOTICE.

NEITHER Captain FORBES nor the AGENTS or OWNERS of the American Bark "GARIBALDI," will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by the Crew.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE DE 1878.

THE CONSUL for FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibition, that they will find at the CONSULATE all Information and Particulars they may require.
For the Consul, G. BOULOUEZ, Vice-Consul. Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANFOO.

The Steamship "HAILONG," Captain ARBUTT, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 4th Instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co. Hongkong, March 1, 1877. mcs

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "HESPERIA," Captain JOHANNSEN, shortly expected from Hamburg, London and Singapore, will receive immediate despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to WM. POSTAU & Co., Agents. Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TANAIS," Comdt. REYNIE, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail.
H. DU POUET, Agent. Hongkong, March 2, 1877.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "PELO," Comdt. LECONTE, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.
H. DU POUET, Agent. Hongkong, March 2, 1877.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 1 American Ship "MCNEAR," W. TATLOE, Master, will load here, and will have quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 19 years 8/3 L. 11 Danish Bark "KORSOR," L. C. GROVE, Master, will load here, and will have immediate despatch as above. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY.

The British Bark "SPIRIT OF THE AGE," Captain JOHNSON, will have a quick despatch for the above Ports. For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co. Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON.

A 1 British Ship "STAR OF CHINA," BLAKER, Master, will load here, and have immediate despatch. For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co. Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

FOR YLOILO.

The 1 Spanish Schooner "UNION," MERRICASHYARBA, Master, will have quick despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co. Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

Notices to Consignees

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. "Gadshill" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Goods will be sent on to Yokohama unless notice to the contrary is given before Noon To-day. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 28th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, February 28, 1877. mcs

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. "State of Louisiana" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Goods will be sent on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary is given before Noon To-morrow, the 27th Instant. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 5th Proximo will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, February 26, 1877. mcs

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. "KASHGAR."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named Vessel, from Bombay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the "AUSTRIA" and "ZEPHYRUS," from London, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 6th Proximo will be subject to rent. Optional Cargo will be forwarded by the following Steamer, unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 p.m. To-day. A. MOLYNE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, February 27, 1877. mcs

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense. No Fire Insurance has been effected. H. DU POUET, Agent.

Ex Ada, January 11th, 1877.

THO No. 1/2, . . . 2 cases Stores.
GD No. 1, . . . 1 case Paper.

Ex Tigre, February 9th, 1877.
D R No. 267/270, . . . 14 cases Merchandise.
N (in diamond) . . . 2 cases Oil.
MD No. 1/2, . . . 2 cases Oil.

Ex Ena, February 22, 1877.
O & C No. 1, . . . 1 case Miscellaneous.
RS No. 15, . . . 1 case Clothing.
ASW & C (in diam.) . . . 1 case Perfumery.
No. 1604, . . . 1 case Hats.
PF, . . . 1 case Hats.
Hongkong, March 1, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining undelivered after TUESDAY, the 27th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected. H. DU POUET, Agent.

Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

Mails.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ,
ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES,
AND MARSEILLES;

ALSO,
PONDICHERRY, MADRAS AND
CALCUTTA.

ON THURSDAY, the 8th March,
1877, at Noon, the Company's
S. S. TIGRE, Commandant BRUNET,
with MALES, PASSENGERS, STORES,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and so-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for
the principal places of Europe.
Shipping orders will be granted till noon.
Cargo will be received on board until
4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 8 p.m.
on the 7th March, 1877. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.
For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 2, 1877. mo8



STEAM FOR

Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,
Ancona, Venice, Mediter-
ranean Ports, Southampton
and London;

ALSO,
Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and
Australia.

THE PANAMA AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
FRANCOISE, Captain BARNETT, will
leave this on THURSDAY, the 15th March,
at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. MOIVRE, Superintendent.
Hongkong, March 2, 1877. mo18

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer ALASKA,
will be despatched for San Francisco,
via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 15th
March, 1877, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers,
and Freight for Japan, the United States,
and Europe.
Through Passengers Tickets and Bills
of Lading are issued for transportation to
Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San
Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and
South America, and to New York and
Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.
A Steamer of the Mitsui Bishi S. Co.
company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea
Ports, about same date, and make close
connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection
of various lines of Steamers to England,
France and Germany.
Freight will be received on board until
4 p.m. 14th March. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.
For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 16, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 20, 1877. mo15

To Let.

TO LET.

NO. 8, PRIMA TERRACE, ELGIN STREET,
with Immediate Possession.
Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

TO LET.

THE House No. 7, Upper Mosque
Terrace, at present in the occupation
of A. B. JOHNSON, Esq., Gas and Water
laid on.

Apply to

T. G. LINSTED.
Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

TO BE LET.

THE PREMISES No. 28, Queen's Road,
at present in the occupation of the
SCARLE COMPANY.
TURNER & Co.
Hongkong, February 6, 1877.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 7, Calne Road, lately oc-
cupied by Mr. PARKER.
House No. 10, Albany Road, at present
occupied by the Rev. R. H. KIDG.
House No. 11, Seymour Terrace, at pre-
sent occupied by Mr. N. J. Edn, furnished
or unfurnished.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

TO LET.

THE Upper Portion of Nos. 42 and 44
Queen's Road.
Apply to
DOUGLAS LAFFRAIR & Co.
Hongkong, November 17, 1876.

Insurance.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—Two Millions Sterling.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Coals in Malthed, on Goods on board
Vessels, and on the Hulls of Vessels in Har-
bour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.
Proposals for Life Insurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELOCHERS & Co.,

Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits
are distributed annually to Contributors,
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premiums contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant
Policies against Fire to the extent of
£45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE

INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1806.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Underigned, Agents at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared to
grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
of

His Majesty King George The First,

A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either
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THE Underigned Agents are in receipt
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OHUN AYIN,

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means of reference to the reader.

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lishers of this journal to issue a publication
similar in object and style, but slightly
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Eastern Archipelago and the "Far East"
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or Queries); or as also those queries which,
though asking for information, furnish new
or unpublished details concerning the mat-
ter in hand. It is desirable to make the
Queries proper as brief and as much to
the point as possible.

The China Review for July and August,
1876, is at hand. It says that forty-two
essays were sent in to compete for the best
paper on the advantages of Christianity for
the development of a State. All our learned
societies should subscribe to this scholarly
and entertaining Review. It is a sixty
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lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is
alone worth the price of the Review. Ad-
dress, China Review, Hongkong—Northern
Christian Advocate (U.S.).

Trübner's Oriental Record contains the fol-
lowing notice of the China Review:—"This
is the title of a publication, the first number
of which has lately reached us from Hong-
kong, where it has been set on foot as in
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Queries on China and Japan, the extinction
of which useful serial a year or two ago has
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for a TOWN-HALL. This Building is to
be erected on the ground on the east side
of the Esplanade adjacent between the latter
and Duke Street, and its cost is not to ex-
ceed \$30,000.
The Commissioners offer a PREMIUM of
\$400 for the best and most suitable Design
with Specifications; and competitors have
the option of forwarding Tenders for carry-
ing out the work.
The Designs, accompanied with all docu-
ments, are to be sent to the Municipal Office
Penang on or before the 1st of March next.
For further information apply to the
Secretary to the Municipal Commissioners
at Penang.

D. C. PRESGRAVE,
Municipal Secretary.

Penang,
Municipal Office,
The 21st September, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

FROM and after the Chinese New Year's
day (February 17, 1877) the Chinese
Mail will be issued DAILY instead of tri-
weekly as heretofore. No change, how-
ever, will be made in the price of subscrip-
tion, which will remain at \$4 per annum.
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assimilated to those of the Chinese Mail.
The unusual success which has attended
the Chinese Mail makes it an admirable
medium for advertisement.

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already the most influential native journal
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at the Ports of China and Japan, and at
Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, San Francisco
and Australia.

For terms, &c., address
Ma OHUN AYIN,
Manager.
China Mail Office,
17th February, 1874.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

WE have been appointed AGENTS for
the AMERICAN SHIPMASTERS' ASSO-
CIATION.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, February 2, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Authority given Mr ALFRED HERRZ
to sign our Firm by Procuration has
been withdrawn.

CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, February 10, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. FERDINAND KESSEL has been com-
pelled to retire from our Firm in
consequence of failing health, and his in-
terest and responsibility ceased on the 31st
December last.
MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST SEIB has been
authorized to sign for us by Procuration.
We have this day reopened a branch of
our Firm at Canton.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th day of November,
1876, all mail further notice, the
BUSINESS of the above-named DISPEN-
SARY will be carried on by the Under-
signed.

W. L. CRICKSHANK,
Manager.

Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing be-
tween the Undersigned under the
name of MESSRS & HUISE has this day
been dissolved by lapse of time, and the
signature of the Firm will henceforth be
used for the Liquidation only.

O. J. MESTERN,
W. HUISE.
Canton, December 31, 1876.

To-day's Advertisements.

ERNEST WASSILL & Co.,
PHOTOGRAPHERS.

I HAVE This Day Established myself as
PHOTOGRAPHER at the Corner of
Wyndham and Wellington Streets, at the
Building lately occupied by the HONGKONG
PHOTOGRAPHIC Co., under the above Style.
ERNEST WASSILL.
Hongkong, March 3, 1877.

LOST, at the Tarantula Calico Ball, a
FINE WHITE RHAMPOUR OBUDDAI
SHAWL, Double Size, no mark in either
Corner. The shawl taken in mistake has
mark "R E" in Yellow Silk in one Corner.
The Lady will oblige by Returning it to
the OLIVE PORTER, when her own will be
restored.
Hongkong, March 3, 1877.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-
tions to sell by Public Auction, on
TUESDAY,

the 6th March, 1877, at 12 o'clock, at
the Godowns of Messrs RUSSELL & Co.,
Praya Central,—

(For account of the concerned.)
Ex "Edward James,"
1,610 bags FLOUR, different marks.
(More or less damaged by sea water.)

AFTER WHICH
At the Godowns of Messrs RUSSELL & Co.,
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Ex "Alden Bess,"
500 bags FLOUR, different marks.
(More or less damaged by sea water.)

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
All Lots, with all faults and errors of
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J. M. ARMSTRONG,
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Hongkong, March 3, 1877.

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on MONDAY, the 2nd April,
at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers
to Japan, the United States and Europe.
Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 1st Proximo. Parcel Packages
will be received at the Office until 5 p.m.
same day: all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.
Return Passage Tickets available for 6
months are issued at a reduction of 20 per
cent. on regular rates.
For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
G. R. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, March 3, 1877.

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Owners will be Responsible for any
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of the following Vessels, during their stay
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Wesenberg.—Siemsen & Co.
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S. Noyes.—Rozario & Co.

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Golden.—Meyer & Co.
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G. Schwoer.—Molchers & Co.

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David Plumer.—Siemsen & Co.

ORANGE GROVE, British barque, Captain
A. Longmuir.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.
ROSKA, American 3-m. schooner, Capt.
C. W. Hansen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

TULLOCHGOWN, British schooner, Capt.
S. Masson.—Chinsee.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 2, Tching Tsing, Chinese R. C.,
from a cruise.
March 3, Tennessee, U. S. Flag-ship, 2300
tons, 1800 h.p., J. Young, Singapore
Feb. 14, Labuan 23, and Manila 23.

March 5, Yeno, British steamer, 589
tons, J. E. Pundhard, Foochow Feb. 23, Amoy
Mar. 1, and Swatow 2, General.—DOUGLAS
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DEPARTURES.

Mar. 5, Salsador, for Amoy.
Mar. 5, Albatross, for Whampoa.
Mar. 5, H.M.S. Himalaya, for Singapore,
&c.

3, Tching Tsing, for Canton.
3, Adela, for Newchwang.
3, Oceana, for Yokohama and San
Francisco.

3, Gunga, for Saigon.
Bertha, for Haiphong.
Tyburnia, for Swatow.
Brangia 1, for Saigon.
Albany, for Swatow.
Zamboanga, for Amoy.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.
Per Yeno, from Coast Ports, Revd. J.
Wolfe, Messrs Smith, Tolson, and Aling,
and 120 Chinese.

DEPARTED.
Per Oceana, for Yokohama, Mrs. Good-
rich and child, Mrs. J. Middleton, Messrs
J. De Ruyter, J. A. Blyss, J. E. Morrison

and servant, M. Uhlmann, and Alexander
Center. For San Francisco, Dr. Geo.
Doda and wife and 2 children, Mr. S.
Shillaber and wife and servant, Mrs. Gray,
and 4 children. For Liverpool, Colonel
J. Y. Mogridge, &c.
Per Gunga, for Saigon, 100 Chinese.

To DEPART.
Per Zamboanga, for Amoy, 1 European.
Per Haisong, for Swatow, &c., 100
Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The U. S. Flag ship Tennessee reports:
First part of passage light N.E. winds and
fine weather, latterly fresh N.E. winds.
The British steamer Yeno reports: Foo-
chow to Swatow fine weather with light
variable winds. Swatow to Hongkong
cloudy weather with moderate monsoon.

In Amoy.—Mrs. Yangtze and Chinkiang.
In Swatow.—Mrs. Ningpo and Norma. On
the 1st March, S. S. "Lemon" left Amoy for
Tientsin, on the 3rd, S. S. Douglas left
Swatow for Amoy, and on the 3rd passed
S. S. "Fugue" off Breaker Point, bound
North.

CARGO.
Per Zambesi, sailed 1st March, 1877:—

For London: from Canton, 12 cases Silk
Piece Goods; from Hongkong, 3,011 bags
Sugar; from Amoy, 116 boxes Tea; from
Shanghai, 83 pkgs. Tea, 35 bales Raw Silk,
30 bales Silk Piece Goods, 25 bales Waste
Silk, and 2 bales Refuse Silk; from Japan,
132 bales Raw Silk. For Continent: from
Canton, 11 bales Raw Silk; from Japan, 8
bales Raw Silk. For America: from Shang-
hai, 12 bales Raw Silk. For Boston: from
Shanghai, 433 half-chests Tea.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For TOURON.—
Per Barque ROSA BOUTCHER, at
8.30 a.m., on Monday, the 5th inst.

For MANILA.—
Per BUTUAY, at 11.30 a.m., on Mon-
day, the 5th inst., instead of as pre-
viously notified.

For BANGKOK.—
Per RAJAN TITANUHAR, at 5 p.m.,
on Tuesday, the 6th March.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet TIGRE,
will be despatched on THURS-
DAY, the 8th March, with
Mails to and through the United
Kingdom and Europe, via Mauritius;
to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galie,
Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta,
Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexan-
dria.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—
Wednesday, 7th March:—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post
Office closes except the Night Box,
which remains open all night.

Thursday, 8th March:—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of
Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.
11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late
Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)
addressed to the United Kingdom,
to Saigon, or Singapore, may be posted
on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents
extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.
Hongkong, February 24, 1877.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—
The English Contract Packet TRAVAN-
CORE will be despatched with the
Mails for Europe, &c., on THURS-
DAY, the 15th instant.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—
Wednesday, 14th:—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.
6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night
Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 15th:—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late
Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.
10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with
Late Fee of 18 cents extra
postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only,
addressed to the United Kingdom
via Brindisi or to Singapore, may
be posted on board the Packet with
Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,
till

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally
closed.
Hongkong, March 2, 1877.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, March 6:—
Noon.—Sale of Flour, at Messrs Russell
& Co.'s Godowns, Praya Central and
Wanchi.

Goods per Kassar undelivered after
this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, March 8:—
Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of
Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, March 9:—
Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs
Leau, Crawford & Co.

SATURDAY, March 10:—
Noon.—Sale of Ground and Property in
Peel Street.

MONDAY, March 12:—
2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at
Rev. R. H. Kidd's Residence, Albany
Road.

TUESDAY, March 13:—
Noon.—Naval Contract Tenders close for
the Supply of Provisions.

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports
of Call and Europe.

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama
and San Francisco.

MONDAY, April 8:—
8 p.m.—Incidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San
Francisco.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES:—

St. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.—The Right
Reverend Bishop of Victoria: The Rev. R.
Hayward Kidd, Colonial Chaplain. On the
First and Third Sundays in each Month:—
At 11 a.m., Morning Prayer, Sermon and
Celebration of the Holy Communion. On
the Second and Fourth Sundays in each
Month (and Fifth, if any):—Morning
Prayer, Litany and Sermon. On all
Sundays:—At 4 p.m., Evening Prayer and
Sermon. On all Holy Days:—At 8 a.m.,
celebration of the Holy Communion.

Military Service.—At 8 a.m., Morning
Prayer and Litany alternately, Sermon
and Celebration of Holy Communion
every Sunday.

UNION CHURCH.—Minister, Rev. James
Lamont. Morning Service, at 11 a.m.
Afternoon, 6 p.m.

St. PETER'S SHAMEN'S CHURCH.—Rev.
J. S. Ladd, pro tem. M. A. Service at 5 p.m.
every Sunday. All seats free. Morning
Prayer and Communion on the First Sun-
day in each month at 11 a.m.

St. PAUL'S COLLEGE CHAPLAIN.—On Wed-
nesdays: at 6 p.m., Evening Prayer
(shortened form), and exposition of Scrip-
ture.

St. STEPHEN'S MISSION CHURCH.—Rev.
A. B. Hutchinson, and Rev. Lo Sam
Yuen. (All Services in Chinese.) Morn-
ing Prayer:—Litany, Ante-Communion,
and Sermon, at 11 a.m. Bible Class, at 3
p.m. Preaching, at 6.30 p.m. Holy Com-
munion, 1st Sunday in Chinese month.

BERLIN FOUNDLING HOUSE.—Service in
the German language, by Pastor E. Klitzke,
every Sunday, at half-past ten a.m., in
the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House,
West Point.

Shipping.
Daylight.—Haisong leaves for Coast
Ports.

Tenders Close.
Noon.—Tenders for construction of boats
close.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Auctions.

Noon.—Sale of Opium, at Messrs David
Spasoch, Sons & Co.'s Godowns.

2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at
Mr. G. Arber's residence, at Brooke
Cottage.

4.30 p.m.—Sale of Horses, Ponies, and
Carriages, &c., opposite the City Hall.

Shipping.

Goods per State of Louisiana undelivered
after this date subject to rent.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 7.45 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 1877.

We are glad to observe that our new
daily contemporary at Rangoon is turn-
ing its attention to the question of a
trade route from Yunnan via Zimé
and Maulmain. Our contemporary con-
sider that vast advantages would accrue
to the British province through the
opening up of the route. As we pointed
out on a previous occasion Zimé is at
the present moment a large emporium
for Chinese merchandise situated
about 150 miles to the south west of
Yunnan, and in an almost direct line
between it and Maulmain, which in
turn is only about 250 miles from
Zimé. Thus the entire route from the
borders of Yunnan to the British sea-
port in question would be only about
400 or 450 miles in length. There
are apparently few natural obstacles
to travelling along the route, which
was at one time constantly traversed by
caravans. Our contemporary says it is
within his recollection that the caravans
have ceased coming from Zimé to
Maulmain, and that at the present day a
rich and profitable portion of the China
trade is carried to Zimé, whence it
finds its way either to Bangkok by the Cam-
bodia river or to Saigon by the Cam-
bodia river. Its old natural outlet
Maulmain is cut off by the disturbed
state of the intervening Shan States, who
though dependent on Siam are kept under
little or no constraint. On the other
hand the French have done and are doing
all in their power to encourage and es-
tablish the trade thus driven to their
Settlements. "We are on friendly terms
with Siam," says our Rangoon con-
temporary, "and political relations with that
country are well established. We urge
therefore that negotiations should be
opened with that government with the
view of opening the Zimé route." A
convention, we are sure, could be easily
procured similar to that just made with
China. If a British Consular Agent
were posted at Zimé, and Siam would
protect the road from dacoits as it did in
former years, there is no manner of doubt
that the valuable trade now diverted to
distant outlets would revert to its natural
channel, and seek the nearer, and more
convenient port of Maulmain."

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE S. S. Mecca has gone over to the Cos-
mopolitan Docks to clean and paint.

St. PETER'S SHAMEN'S CHURCH.—Celebration
of the Holy Communion on the first Sunday
in each month at 11.30 a.m. Evening Ser-
vice every Sunday at 6 p.m.—Chaplain,
Rev. J. S. Ladd, M.A., pro tem.

THE U. S. Flagship Tennessee, which arrived
here this afternoon from Singapore via
Labuan and Manila, reports having ex-
perienced very severe N.E. Gales between
Singapore and Labuan. The Tennessee left
Singapore on the 14th ultimo, the day
before the Ulysses, and on the 16th
experienced heavy N.E. Gales with high
seas. They made but little headway, and
having expended all their coal, were com-
pelled to put into Labuan. The Ulysses
was not in Manila when the Tennessee left
on the night of the 28th ultimo.

The following are the results of an open
boat race to-day. Four boats were started
at 1.51 p.m. The 1st Stakeboat was
rounded as follows, viz:—

By Namo's boat at 2 23 47
Coeran's " 2 23 05
Blackhead's " 2 23 10
Dockeyard's " 2 23 45

The boats got back to the starting point as
follows:—

Blackhead's at 4 15 38
Dockeyard's " 4 16 15
Coeran's " 4 31 15
Namo's " 4 51 35

There was a slight steady breeze all the
time, with the exception of the latter part
of the race, when it fell more calm.

We are in receipt of "Sutton's Amateur's
Guide in Horticulture," issued by Messrs
Sutton & Sons, Queen's Seedmen, Reading.
This handsome guide contains much that is
both useful and interesting, embodying as it
does a sketch of a year's work in the kitchen
garden and of the rotation of crops there
grown. It also treats fully of the cultiva-
tion of all kinds of flowers and vegetables,
as well as much that generally concerns the
amateur gardener. It is illustrated with
nearly 250 engravings of the best kinds of
vegetables, flowers, &c., and is further
embellished with a beautiful coloured plate,
including some twenty-five varieties of
flowers. The home price, we believe, is
only a shilling.

Tax Collector of Stamp Revenue has issued
a circular, calling attention to "the habitual
neglect by Chinese of the requirements of
the Stamp Ordinances." The number of
documents presented by the Chinese for
stamping, he says, bears no proportion to
the extensive business done by them, and
it is evident that this systematic evasion of
the law tends to throw a heavier burden
of taxation on the rest of the Com-
munity. The Collector of Stamp Re-
venue asks the addressees to impress
upon their compadres that, though
His Excellency the Governor is averse
to offering rewards to informers, yet,
if the Chinese persist in disregarding the
law, this policy will be adopted, and the
amount of the rewards offered will be in-
creased until the desired end has been
attained.

THE Police Force appears at present to be
coming in for as large a share of praise as
it formerly did of blame, and the pointed
letter written at the request of Sir Arthur
Kennedy would seem to imply that the sharp
criticism of former days has borne good fruit.
There is no doubt that the Force is now in
very good form, and we hope it will con-
tinue so. Not a little of this vast improve-
ment is due to the inspectors selected from
the sergeants who were imported from Lon-
don and Edinburgh; and the anxiety of
Captain Deane on this point is easily com-
prehended when we remember that many of
these trained men will be long before drop-
ping out of the service. One of the oldest and
best of these officers (Inspector Horspool)
leaves in a short time, we believe, for Eng-
land; and amongst the many good services
he has rendered to the Colony is that of
superintending the policing of the Race-
course during our Race Meetings in the
Valley. For this extra duty—which has
generally been very well performed, and was
particularly so on the last occasion—Mr
Horspool has persistently

BETTER SO.

HEALTH PROVERBS.

PRINCIPLE—HABIT

as homologues—habits

FALSE APPEARANCE

LECTIONS OF THE FRANCO-PRUSSIAN WAR.

BY RICCIOTTI GARIBOLDI.

we approached this latter place we

To barricade the gates and loopholes walls was the work of a few minutes, as we had the order to hold the place at any cost—its loss necessarily leading to the entry of the enemy into Dijon—where there was little chance of coming out.

CELEBRITIES AT HOME.

CURIOSITIES OF CARD-PLAYING.

ETIQUETTE IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

MANAGING A MULE

On the order side of creek.
—Irwin Russell.

Miscellaneous

OF march—embodied all the forces of barbarism on the outskirts of civilization; left to develop its own natural resources. State molested, though all apprehended growth. Back long pent by mercantile in its own legitimate domains, this schemed for the outlet to its insatiable ambition; to that outlet it crept by its luring guile—by successive treaties promising peace, graduated spoliation opportunities of fraud. At length it pretends too gross to deceive the conscience of mankind, it proposed to send an outlet—to storm the feeble gates by itself and the world beyond! The historian shall say that we in England—this united families of England—France made ourselves the vanguard, alarmed and shrinked. Egypt and sheathed the sword until we had torn the pledge to humanity, made on the two Christian Sovereigns, and refused those distant graves which history and justice shall never forget. This (says the *Poli. Malt. Gazette*) was a member of the Conservative Opposition which was not responsible for the conduct of the war against the

POSTAL RATES.

[Subjoined we give the postal rates now in force for transmission of correspondence to all parts of the world. Detailed rules affecting the transmission of packets, parcels, &c., will be found annexed, together with a number of miscellaneous and useful notices.]

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised Sept. 1st, 1876.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Papers, per four ounces, unless otherwise stated.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, trouble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

(Br.) means By British Packet; (Fr.) by French Packet; (U.S.) by United States Packet. D. P. means Double Postage; C. F., cannot be paid; C. S., cannot be sent; L., at Letter Rate. N. R. No Registration.

LOCAL AND TOWN POSTAGE.

Letters.	Registration.	Newspapers.	Books & Papers.	Per 4 oz.
Within any Town or Settlement, or between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, in either direction,.....	2	8	2	2
Between any other two of the following places (through a British Office) viz.:—Hongkong, Macao, Port of China, and Japan, Bangkok, Saigon, and the Philippines, by Private Ship,.....	4	8	2	2
Between the above by Contract Mail,.....	8	8	2	4

RATES BY PRIVATE STEAMERS.
To the United Kingdom, see Table given below. To all other places (to which the vessel is going) the Rates, which must be prepaid, except when the address is to India, are,.....

INDIA.—By Indian Mail prepayment is optional. Short paid letters are treated as wholly unpaid. By Private Ship correspondence cannot be prepaid. By British and French Packet prepayment is compulsory. Letters cannot be prepaid through to India by every French Packet, but only by each alternate one. By the others they are Paid to Galle only, and should be so marked, going on from Galle as unpaid.

Straits. U. S. Packet, Australia, &c., &c. Africa, St. Helena, Ascension, &c. Letters.—United States (U. S.), Singapore, Penang, India, Ceylon, Aden, &c.

Except India, Ceylon, and Aden, by French Packet, 12 cents.
Batavia, 12; Saigon and Pondicherry, (Fr.) 12; New Caledonia, Tunis, Tangiers, (Fr.) 36.

FRANCE. (Br.) 12, (Fr.) 24.
Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Zanzibar (N.R.), Natal, Cape, St. Helena, Ascension, Mauritius, 24.

REGISTRATION. 8 cents, except Straits, Batavia, India, Aden, Egypt (Br.), Australia, &c., 12; Saigon, Pondicherry, Egypt (Fr.), double postage.

NEWSPAPERS (To all the above places) 2 cents.
BOOKS AND PATTERNS. 6 cents, except W. Africa, 8. To French Offices cannot be paid.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Zanzibar, &c., 1 oz., 2 cents; 2 oz., 4 cents; Every 4 oz., 8 cents.
The United Kingdom.

Superscription.	Letters.	Papers.	Books & Patterns.
via Brindisi (Br.)	28	4	4
via Brindisi (Fr.)	28	4	4
via Brindisi (U.S.)	28	4	4
via Brindisi (Fr.)	28	4	4
via Brindisi (U.S.)	28	4	4
via Brindisi (Fr.)	28	4	4

Registration Fee, 8 cents.	Letters.	Papers.	Books & Patterns.
via Brindisi (Br.)	28	4	4
via Brindisi (Fr.)	28	4	4
via Brindisi (U.S.)	28	4	4
via Brindisi (Fr.)	28	4	4
via Brindisi (U.S.)	28	4	4
via Brindisi (Fr.)	28	4	4

Continent, &c. of	Letters.	Papers.	Books & Patterns.
Europe.	18	12	4
Austria, Germany, Hungary, (Br.) via Brindisi	18	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
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Belgium, Denmark, Prussia, &c., Heligoland, Holland, Iceland, Rumania, Serbia, Switzerland, &c.	Letters.	Papers.	Books & Patterns.
(Br.) via Brindisi	18	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
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France and Algeria, Italy, (Fr.)	Letters.	Papers.	Books & Patterns.
(Br.) via Brindisi	18	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
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Spain.	Letters.	Papers.	Books & Patterns.
(Br.) via Brindisi	18	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
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Portugal & Azores.	Letters.	Papers.	Books & Patterns.
(Br.) via Brindisi	18	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
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Turkey.	Letters.	Papers.	Books & Patterns.
(Br.) via Brindisi	18	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
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British Office.	Letters.	Papers.	Books & Patterns.
(Br.) via Brindisi	18	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
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Austrian Office.	Letters.	Papers.	Books & Patterns.
(Br.) via Brindisi	18	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
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French Office.	Letters.	Papers.	Books & Patterns.
(Br.) via Brindisi	18	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
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Swiss Office.	Letters.	Papers.	Books & Patterns.
(Br.) via Brindisi	18	12	4
(Fr.) via Trieste	22	12	4
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W. Africa, Islands of the Atlantic, (except St. Helena and Ascension), North, Central, South America, and Hawaii.

Falkland Islands, Lagos, Gold Coast, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Gambia, Cape Verde Islands, Azores, Bermuda, &c.

United States (via Europe), Canary Islands, Madeira, Cape Verde, New Brunswick, Prince Edward's Island, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Nova Scotia.

W. Indies, Buenos Ayres, Costa Rica, Curacao, Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Grey Town, Hayti, Honduras, La Guayra, Mexico, Monte Video, New Granada, Panama, Paraguay, Porto Rico, Surinam, Uruguay, and Venezuela.

Letters, 32; Registration, 16; Newspapers, 6; Books and Patterns, 18.

Letters, 50; Registration, 16; Newspapers, 6; Books and Patterns, 18.

Letters, 60; Registration, 16; Newspapers, 6; Books and Patterns, 18.

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letter, or communication of the nature of a letter, (whether separate or otherwise), unless it be a circular letter or be wholly printed; nor any enclosure sealed or in any way closed against inspection; nor any other enclosure not allowed by Rule 3. If this rule be infringed, the entire packet is charged as a letter.

A book-packet may be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, water, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise), or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of the contents being easily withdrawn for examination; otherwise it is treated as a letter. For the greater security of the contents, however, it may be tied at the ends with string; Postmasters being authorized to cut the string in such cases, although if they do so they must again tie up the packet.

No book-packet may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above 24 inches in length, 12 inches in width, or 12 inches in depth, unless it be sent to or from one of the Government offices.

When, owing to a great and unusual influx of letters, books, &c., the transmission or delivery of the letters would be delayed if the whole mail were dealt with without distinction, book-packets may be kept back till the next despatch or delivery.

The limit of size for a book-packet addressed to any place abroad is 24 inches in length and 12 inches in width or depth.

Exceptions.—No packet for Algeria, Azores, Cape de Verde Islands, France, Madeira, or Portugal, or for Egypt, Syria, or Turkey, when sent by French Packet, must be above 18 inches in length, width, or depth.

They must not be of intrinsic value. This rule excludes all articles of a saleable nature, and indeed whatever may have a value of its own, apart from its mere use as a pattern; and the quantity of any material sent ostensibly as a pattern must not be so great that it can fairly be considered as having on this ground an intrinsic value.

Pattern and Sample Post to colonies and foreign countries is restricted to bona fide trade patterns or samples of merchandise. Goods sent for sale, or in execution of an order (however sent by one private individual to another, which are not actual patterns or samples, are not admissible.

Patterns or samples, when practicable, must be sent in covers open at the ends, and in such a manner as to be easy of examination. But samples of seeds, drugs, and such like articles, which cannot be sent in covers of this kind, but such articles only, may be posted enclosed in boxes, or bags of linen, of other material, fastened in such a manner that they may be readily opened; or, in the case of seeds, &c., for the United States of America, Holland, and its possessions, Belgium, Denmark, Greece, Portugal, and its possessions, and Switzerland, in bags entirely closed, provided such closed bags are transparent, so as to enable the Officers of the Post Office readily to satisfy themselves as to the nature of the contents.

There must be no writing or printing upon or in any packet except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender, a trade mark or number, and the price of the articles.

Samples of intrinsic value must not be sent to any foreign country except United States; and in the case of France samples of either down, raw or thread silk, woolen or goats' hair thread, vanilla, saffron, carmine, or isinglass, are considered to fall under this rule if they weigh more than three ounces; and up to this weight raw and spun silk, as well as coloured and twisted silk, may be sent to Germany.

The rule which forbids the transmission through the Post of any article likely to injure the contents of the Mail Bags, Boxes, or the person of any Officer of the Post Office is, of course, applicable to the Pattern Post; and a packet containing anything of the kind will be stopped, and not sent to its destination. Articles such as the following have been occasionally posted as "Patterns, and have been detained as unfit for the Post, viz.: Metal boxes, porcelain and China, fruit, vegetables, bunches of flowers, cuttings of plants, spurs, knives, scissors, needles, pins, pieces of machinery, sharp pointed instruments, samples of metals, samples of ore, samples in glass bottles, pieces of glass, acids of various kinds, curry combs, copper and steel engraving plates, and confectionery of all kinds.

Such articles as scissors, knives, razors, forks, steel pens, nails, keys, watch machinery, metal tubing, pieces of metal ore, provided that they be packed and guarded in so secure a manner as to afford complete protection to the contents of the mail bags and to the Officers of the Post Office, while at the same time they may be easily examined, may be sent as samples to the following countries, but to these alone: viz., the Azores, Belgium, Cape de Verde Islands, Denmark, Egypt, Germany, Holland, Madeira, Moldavia, Turkey, United States, Wallachia, and the British Colonies. Indigo cannot be sent to any place abroad.

A packet of patterns or samples sent to the Azores, Cape de Verde Islands, France, Madeira, Portugal, or by French Packet, to Turkey, Syria, or Egypt, must not exceed 18 inches in length, width, or depth, a packet to any other place abroad must not exceed 24 inches in length or 12 inches in width or depth.

To provide the greatest possible facilities for posting Correspondence for Europe, &c., up to the latest moment before the departure of the French Packet, arrangements have been made for receiving at the Post Office late letters for Singapore, Saigon, and the United States, only from 11.10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Each letter must bear a late fee of 18 cents extra postage.

The above arrangement is intended to meet the occasional emergency, and not for the regular posting of extensive correspondence. Should it be found, therefore, that large and unmanageable numbers of letters are habitually thrown upon the Department at the last moment, a heavier late fee will be imposed.

A similar supplementary Mail will be made up for Shanghai by the English and French Contract Steamers, the late letters being received from 10 minutes after, up to half an hour after the time of closing. The late fee will also be 18 cents.

Arrangements have been made to sell American Stamps at this Office, for the convenience of those who wish to post by the Pacific Route to Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below.

For the present no large quantities of these Stamps can be supplied, nor is it undertaken that every denomination can be kept in hand.

REVISED LIST OF COUNTRIES OR CORRESPONDENCE FORWARDED BY THE AMERICAN PACKET TO CANADA, THE WEST INDIES, &c., can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American Stamps are added to pay them from San Francisco to destination. American Stamps are sold at this Office.

The charge for Registry is 8 cents in Hongkong Stamps, and 10 cents in U. S. Stamps to those places only the names of which are printed in Italics. To all the other places named correspondence cannot be Registered through, but only to San Francisco (8 cents).

The following are the charges on Correspondence thus sent: Letters, per half ounce, Hongkong, 10 cents; U. S., 12 cents.

Canada, British Columbia, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's Island, Vancouver's Island, Bahamas, Nassau, New Providence, &c., 8 3

Apia, Honolulu, Cuba, Pinar del Rio, Jamaica, &c., 8 5

Hawaii, New Zealand, &c., 8 6

Guatemala, Mexico, Salvador, &c., 8 10

Batavia, Bogota, Carthagena, Costa Rica, Curacao, Greytown, Guiana, Honduras, Martinique, New Granada, Nicaragua, Santa Marta, &c., 8 18

West Indies, &c., 8 17

Holivia, Chili, Ecuador, Peru, &c., 8 21

Argentine Confederation, Buenos Ayres, Paraguay, Uruguay, &c., 8 27

Circulars &c., for Canada, per 1 oz., 2 1

Newspapers for all other places (not over 4 oz.) each paper, 2 4

Books, &c., for all other places, per 4 oz., 6 10

Senders of correspondence by the above routes are requested to see that it is fully prepaid in both kinds of Stamps, otherwise it cannot be forwarded.

General Postal Union or being probably about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of durable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows: Books and Papers—to British Offices, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 2 lbs. Patterns—to British Offices, 5 lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

4. The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all: Glass, Liquids, Gunpowder, Matches, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Dye-stuffs, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or offensive or injurious to persons dealing with them.

PACKETS.—The public is reminded that, in China and Japan, there is no such thing as a Parcel Post. Much trouble and disappointment is caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Kanki Quilts, Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than they would have paid the freight by a steamer. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents was discovered.

PATTERNS.—Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining a general understanding of what is a Pattern. It is a bona fide sample of goods which the sender has for sale, or of goods which he wishes to order. It is to consist of the smallest possible quantity compatible with showing what the goods are, and must have no intrinsic value.

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and between the Ports of China and Japan, the Postmasters and Agents of this Office will in future be allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

Between Hongkong and Shanghai, or Hongkong and Yokohama, however, in either direction, Money-Orders must be used.

The Stamps tendered for sale must not exceed \$25 in value, must be perfectly clean, in good condition, and in steps of at least two, as no separate Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented personally or accompanied by a note.

The Postmaster or Agent may postpone purchasing if his public funds in hand are not sufficient, and he will refuse to purchase in any case which appears doubtful or suspicious. He is allowed to charge a Commission of one per cent on all Stamps purchased.

Letters containing Stamps should be Registered, and the Stamps should be secured from observation.

Correspondence can be forwarded in closed Mails to the United Kingdom via San Francisco at the following rates:—Letters,..... 12 cents per 1/2 oz. Registration,..... 8 " each. Newspapers,..... 4 " each. Books and Patterns, 1 oz., 2 " 2 oz., 4 " 3 oz., 6 " 4 oz., 8 " 5 oz., 10 " 6 oz., 12 " 7 oz., 14 " 8 oz., 16 " 9 oz., 18 " 10 oz., 20 "

The Mails close at 2.30 p.m. usually on the 1st and 15th of each month.

Registry cannot be effected after 2 p.m. The average time of transit to London by this route is 50 days. The correspondence must be specially addressed Via San Francisco. If insufficiently paid it will be sent via Suez.

During the N.E. Monsoon, the Charterers and Agents of sailing ships for Manila, Saigon, Bangkok and Singapore are requested to give notice to this Office of the departures of such ships.

No correspondence will be forwarded by sailing vessel but such as is specially so directed.

Correspondence for New Zealand may be forwarded via Torres Straits when specially directed for that route, otherwise it will be sent by way of Galle.

Money Order Regulations.
1.—Money Orders on the United Kingdom are issued at Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama. Shanghai and Yokohama also issue on Hongkong and vice versa.

2.—Small sums may be remitted between the other Ports by means of Postage Stamps.

3.—Many Money Orders are supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in this way. An application for an order is filled up, and is enclosed with a stamped, directed, and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest leaving office. The application must be accompanied with the full amount (including commission) in cheques, postage stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a little margin should be left for variations of exchange. The Postmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the change, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the letter, if it were to be registered, as it always should be. Care should be taken to send these applications in time, as the Money Order Offices close some hours before the departures of the mails.

4.—No order must exceed £10, or include any fraction of a penny. Orders will be drawn at the current rate of the day and paid at the rate of the day when the advice arrived.

Celery, English,	catty	40	30
Cucumbers,	"	70	—
Chillies, Dried,	"	100	—
" Mixed,	"	80	70
Curry Stuff, English,	"	40	30
Egg Plant,	"	50	40
Garlic, (bulb) dried,	"	40	30
Ginger,	"	30	20
Greens, White	"	10	—
" Winter course	"	20	15
Green, Sprouts	"	15	10
Green Peas, in shell, old	"	60	50
" young	"	40	30
" Home Radish," S'hal,	"	300	—
Lettuce, Chinese	"	20	—
" English,	head	10	—
Mint,	bunch	15	10
Mushroom, dried,	catty	750	650
Onions, Bombay	"	180	150
" Green	"	20	20
Parsley, Chinese,	"	50	—
" English,	bunch	10	—
Potatoes, Macao,	catty	20	15
" Sweet,	"	12	10
Pumpkins,	"	20	15
Radishes,	doz	30	20
Scallions,	catty	25	20
Shallots,	"	35	30
Seamenum,	"	120	100
Squash, bottle	"	30	—
Taro (U Tau),	"	20	—
Tomatoes,	"	60	40
Turnips, Salt,	"	20	15
" English	each	10	—
" Chinese	catty	15	10
Water Lily Roots,	"	80	—
Water Cross,	bunch	20	15
Yams,	catty	80	—
Fruits.			
Alsurites,	catty	60	—
Apples, Dried	"	500	400
" Californian,	"	250	150
Bananas, fragrant Funtl,	"	40	—
" Common	"	25	—
Chestnuts, new,	"	100	—
Cocoanuts	each	50	—
Currants,	bottle	400	300
"	lb.	200	150
Dates,	bottle	500	400
Figs, Dried,	"	500	400
Ground Nuts,	catty	40	—
Lemons,	"	120	100
Liches, Dried,	"	200	150
Loong Ngan, Dried,	"	400	200
Loquats,	"	40	—
Mangoes,	each	100	—
Olives, green, Funtl,	catty	60	—
Oranges, (Ooole) Chang	"	40	—
" Sweet, Sun-woy,	"	160	100
" (Mand.) ooole	"	40	—
" (Mandarin)	"	120	80
" dark-skinned	"	80	—
Papaw,	"	150	100
Pears, Nanking,	"	160	—
Pears, Chefoo,	"	120	—
Pine-apples, Funtl	each	60	—
Plantains, common	catty	30	—
" fragrant	"	40	—
Prunes, Dried,	bottle	300	—
Pumeloes or Shaddock, each	"	60	—
Raisins, Muscatel,	bottle	750	—
"	lb.	200	—
Salesbury Seeds, Pak-kwo, catty	"	80	—
Sugar Cane,	stick	25	—
Tamarinds,	catty	60	—
Walnuts,	"	110	—
Water Cheanuta, Canton	"	50	—
Miscellaneous.			
Allspice, Chinese	bottle	200	—
" English	"	750	—
Barley,	picul	1600	—
Bran,	picul	1500	—
Butter,	lb.	600	—
Candied Orange Peel,	bottle	750	—
" Lemon	"	750	—
Capers,	"	250	—
Charcoal,	picul	1650	—
Cheese, American,	lb.	400	—
Cinnamon,	catty	300	—
Citron,	"	160	—
Cloves,	"	700	—
Copoanet Oil,	bottle	180	—
Coffee,	lb.	230	—
Curry Powder,	bottle	500	—
Firewood,	picul	400	—
Flour,	catty	40	—
Gram,	picul	800	—
Linglams,	phge.	750	—
Lamp Oil,	catty	90	—
Macaroni,	box	1000	—
Maco,	catty	750	—
Mango/Chutney,	bottle	500	—
Mustard,	"	180	—
Nuts,	each	10	—
Olives,	bottle	250	—
Paddy,	picul	1600	—
Pearl Barley,	bottle	220	—
Pepper(whole)	catty	270	—
" (ground)	bottle	250	—
Pickles,	"	200	—
Rice,	catty	40	—
Sago,	"	100	—
Saled Oil,	"	250	—
Salt, Coarse	"	—	—
" Fine	"	20	—
Sauces, Lea & Perrins	bottle	350	—
" Others	"	200	—
Split Peas,	"	80	—
Sugar, China,	"	100	—
G. DIXIE, Inspector of Markets.			
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